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1. Aircraft Count (18 June):

30 MiG 15's including at least 1 U-MiG 15.

2. Aircraft Details

a) All Mig 15's had an overall silver grey finish
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e) <u>Dispersal</u>: 4 Mid 15's were parked in the alert position near the take-ove and of the runway, but were covered by tarpauling.

4 MiG 15's were parked in a line in front of the 2 easterly hangars.

7 MiG 15's were parked in the area between the 2 westerly hangard and the nearby revetments. All other MiG 15's were parked in a line along the northern side of the runway.

None of the aircraft observed either airborne or on the airfield were fitted with auxilliary wing tanks.

3. Flying Activity

18 June 0800 - 1400 hours: During this period a total of 12 sortion were undertaken by individual MiG 15's, which appeared to carry out local flying, no aircraft remaining airborne longer than 25 minutes. While flying was in progress, a 2-axled radio van alongside of which was a standard VMF disc cone surmounting a single mast, 2 fuel trucks, a fire tender, a truck and a car were parked in the vicinity of the alert aircraft at the

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take off end of the runway.

- 4. No changes were observed on any types or relative positions of radio/radar equipment since mid-May 55. The following equipment was observed on 18 Junes
 - a) A single-masted MF beacon was located at MR 067 344. A series of 7 red lights facing an easterly direction and surmounting short posts links this beacon to the eastern end of the runway.
 - b) In addition to the previously reported VHF Disc Cone adjoining a radio wan alongside the alert aircraft, a second standard type VHF type Disc Cone comsisting of 2 concentric rings with a wire mesh system was located at MR 058 346. A 2-axled radio wan was parked at the base of this mast.
 - c) A Kniferest was located at 050 352 in the vicinity of the revetments, a Fishnet was set up nearby.
 - d) 2 Fishnets were observed at MR 058 352 and 048 342.

5. Aircraft Revetments

A total of 13 aircraft revetments were counted in the southwestern corner of the airfield in a line parallel to the main East/West runway. These blast pens appeared to be of the fighter type and of identical construction as the cluster located in the northwest corner of the airfield near the main built-up area.

6. AA

No changes were observed in the previously reported AA installation consisting of 6 Bofors type 40 mm AA guns located at approximately Mr 056 342.									
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